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Memorandum for: Deputy Director (Administration)

From: Legislative Counsel

Subject: Retroactive pay for CIA employees.
Report No. 12.

1. The retroactive pay provision is contained in a supplemental appropriation bill which has passed both the House and the Senate. The bill went to conference to iron out differences in the two versions of certain provisions, but the conference did not affect the retroactive pay provision which is identical in both bills.

2. All differences between the two bills have now been resolved except one which involves a rider providing that no funds contained in the bill may be utilized in connection with the Government's seizure of the steel industry. The House conferees wish to hold up the decision on this provision until the Supreme Court has ruled on the legality of the President's seizure of the steel industry, and as of 22 May no further conference on the bill has been scheduled. In view of the uncertainty as to when the Court will act upon the steel seizure, no firm prediction can now be given as to the date of the final passage of this bill other than to say it will undoubtedly be passed prior to adjournment on or about 1 July. If the Supreme Court recesses as scheduled in June without handing down the steel opinion, it is impossible to predict what will happen to this legislation, although the odds are that it will be passed without the steel rider which will then be transferred to other appropriations bills.

3. The fact that this appropriation bill contains funds urgently needed by certain agencies to continue operations for the remainder of this fiscal year may be met, I am informed, by the passage of an emergency joint resolution authorizing these agencies to continue expenditures at the current rate.

4. In other words, there is at the present time no definite answer to when the retroactive pay provision will be finally enacted into law.

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